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To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is being sent to all tow companies that perform non-consent tows to inform you of the impending consideration and possible action to be taken by the City Council of College Station with regard to the revision of the towing ordinance. The council is to hear our proposal on these revisions on April 10, 2003. You are encouraged to attend and make your opinions known during the public hearing portion of the regular council meeting, which begins at 7 p.m.

The ordinance is still being reviewed by our Legal Department, thus I'm unable to provide you with a copy of the proposed ordinance. I can, however, provide you with what the main revisions will consist of.

As was requested by some companies, we've reviewed the maximum fees allowed for non-consent towing services. They are being proposed to increase as follows:

	Now	Proposed
Rotation Tow	\$85	\$100
Tow Away	\$60	\$ 75
Drop Fee	\$20	\$ 40

Another important revision eliminates the requirement for each tow truck to be inspected and permitted by the City. Our thoughts on this topic are that since the State of Texas regulates and licenses each truck, the local government does not need to add further requirements in this regard. Companies that are licensed to operate tow trucks and have access to a licensed Vehicle Storage Facility within the county will be able to have their company listed on our Rotation Tow List, at the unchanged \$200 per year fee.

The final major change in the ordinance involves VSF's that locate within the City of College Station. All such facilities must comply with the American's with Disabilities Act with regard to access for the public.

The other changes are primarily text changes that provide better definitions or clarify the City's ordinance, hopefully to eliminate any confusion. Should you have any question regarding this, please contact me at 764-3608. Once the proposed ordinance is released by the Legal Department, I will fax you a copy upon your request.

Sincerely,

Ed Feldman
Chief of Police

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